Amendment No. 4 to HB3124

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2638*

House Bill No. 3124

by deleting the last sentence in subdivision (c)(1) in SECTION 1 of the bill as amended by amendment (drafting # 1538366) and substituting instead the language:

The awarded costs and fees shall be paid by the attorney representing the party or parties whose claim or claims were dismissed as a result of the granted motion to dismiss.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting the first two sentences in subdivision (c)(4) in SECTION 1 of the bill as amended by amendment (drafting # 1538366) and substituting instead the language:

Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the court shall not require an attorney to pay costs under this section in excess of a combined total of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in any single lawsuit. Where multiple parties are entitled to recover their costs from a single attorney under this section and those parties' combined actual costs under this statute exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) then the court shall apportion the awarded costs to the moving parties in proportion to the amount of each moving party's incurred costs unless agreed otherwise by the moving parties.